

IN THE ABSTRACT

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A balancer driven gear [[11]] of an engine, for the transfer of rotation of the crankshaft [[4]] to a balancer shaft [[8]], is made up of a gear member [[30]], a bush member [[20]] and elastic members [[41 and 45]] interposed therebetween. ~~Wrong assembly such as reverse assembly is prevented by the following configuration.~~ The bush member [[20]] has a boss portion [[21]] fixed to the balancer shaft [[8]], and a plurality of outward dowels [[23a, 23b, ...]] projecting radially outward from the outer periphery of the boss portion [[21]]. The gear member [[30]] is disposed coaxially with the bush member [[20]]. The gear member [[30]] has an annular portion [[31]] with gear teeth on the outer periphery thereof and a plurality of inward dowels [[33a, 33b, ...]] projecting radially inward from the inner periphery of the annular portion [[31]]. Elastic members [[41 and 45]] are disposed between the outward dowels [[23a...]] on the bush member 20 and the inward dowels [[33a...]] on the gear member [[30]]. The shapes and/or dimensions of the dowels positioned on opposite sides with respect to the axis of the balancer driven gear are made asymmetric.